

tion 5 seconds; 9<sup>h</sup> 30<sup>m</sup> p. m., light shock, NNW-SSE, intensity II, duration 5 seconds. October 25, 11<sup>h</sup> 25<sup>m</sup> p. m., slight but prolonged tremors, NNW-SSE, intensity II, duration 32 seconds. October 31, 6<sup>h</sup> 30<sup>m</sup> p. m., very slight tremors.

TABLE 3.—Rainfall at stations in Costa Rica, October, 1901.

Stations.		Amount. Mm.	No. rainy days.	Stations.		Amount. Mm.	No. rainy days.
1. Sipurio (Talamanca)	.....	271	18	14. Juan Vinas	.....	359	19
2. Bocas Banano	.....	271	16	15. Santiago	.....	286	25
3. Limon	.....	163	16	16. Paraiso	.....	226	20
4. Swamp Mouth	.....	207	16	17. Las Concavas	.....	366	18
5. Zent	.....	146	16	18. Cartago	.....	316	22
6. Gute Hoffnung	.....	194	8	19. Tres Rios	.....	316	22
7. Siquirres	.....	404	16	20. S. Francisco G	.....	464	22
8. Guapiles	.....	489	21	21. San Jose	.....	478	26
9. Sarapiqui	.....	601	30	22. La Verbenia	.....	720	26
10. San Carlos	.....	561	26	23. Nuestro Amo	.....	325	23
11. Las Lomas	.....	449	24	24. Alajuela	.....	351	23
12. Peralta	.....	498	27	25. San Isidro Alajuela	.....	698	26

## HAWAIIAN CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

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## Meteorological observations at Honolulu, October, 1901.

The station is at 21° 18' N., 157° 50' W.

Hawaiian standard time is 10<sup>h</sup> 30<sup>m</sup> slow of Greenwich time. Honolulu local mean time is 10<sup>h</sup> 31<sup>m</sup> slow of Greenwich.

Pressure is corrected for temperature and reduced to sea level, and the gravity correction, -0.06, has been applied.

The average direction and force of the wind and the average cloudiness for the whole day are given unless they have varied more than usual, in which case the extremes are given. The scale of wind force is 0 to 12, or Beaufort scale. Two directions of wind, or values of wind force, or amounts of cloudiness, connected by a dash, indicate change from one to the other.

The rainfall for twenty-four hours is measured at 9 a. m. local, or 7.31 p. m., Greenwich time, on the respective dates.

The rain gage, 8 inches in diameter, is 1 foot above ground. Thermometer, 9 feet above ground. Ground is 48 feet, and the barometer 50 feet above sea level.

Date.	Pressure at sea level.	During twenty-four hours preceding 1 p. m., Greenwich time, or 2.29 a. m., Honolulu time.								Total rainfall at 9 a. m., local time.	
		Tempera-ture.		Means.	Wind.	Sea-level pressures.	Total rainfall at 9 a. m., local time.				
		Dry bulb.	Wet bulb.				Dew-point.	Average cloudi-ness.	Maximum.	Minimum.	
		Maximum.	Minimum.				Relative humidity.	Prevailing direction.	Force.		
1.....	29.85	71	88	67	sw-w.	29.92	29.84	0.18			
2.....	29.88	73	89	71	s-ne.	29.91	29.83	0.79			
3.....	29.96	78	69.3	77	e.	29.99	29.89	0.14			
4.....	30.00	74	66.5	83	e-ne.	30.04	29.94	0.00			
5.....	29.95	70	66.5	71	ene.	30.03	29.94	0.00			
6.....	29.98	75	88.5	88	ene.	29.99	29.91	0.01			
7.....	29.96	72	69.3	83	ne.	29.99	29.90	0.14			
8.....	30.00	73	67.5	82	nne.	30.04	29.95	0.01			
9.....	29.96	75	70	75	nne.	30.05	29.96	0.08			
10.....	29.86	73	68	82	ne.	29.99	29.87	0.02			
11.....	29.86	68	82	71	e-s	29.91	29.81	0.00			
12.....	29.91	71	68	82	n-s.	29.96	29.86	0.01			
13.....	29.89	75	68	83	nne.	29.96	29.89	0.08			
14.....	29.89	74	68	82	ne.	29.93	29.85	0.01			
15.....	29.90	72	69	82	nne.	29.94	29.85	0.01			
16.....	29.93	70	68.5	93	ne.	29.97	29.90	0.04			
17.....	29.93	74	69	82	nne.	30.00	29.92	0.03			
18.....	29.95	71	68.3	82	nne.	30.00	29.92	0.01			
19.....	29.98	69	67	82	ne.	29.90	29.92	0.04			
20.....	29.99	69	66	67	75	29.94	29.96	0.02			
21.....	29.98	66	64.7	83	ne.	29.93	29.95	0.00			
22.....	29.98	70	68	66	67	29.98	29.91	0.00			
23.....	29.92	72	70.5	81	ne.	29.98	29.90	0.07			
24.....	29.92	70	69.3	81	nne.	29.99	29.89	0.08			
25.....	29.91	70	68.7	81	nne.	29.99	29.90	0.03			
26.....	29.93	73	69	80	ne.	29.99	29.98	0.28			
27.....	29.94	76	70.5	80	ne.	29.99	29.91	0.12			
28.....	30.00	76	71.5	82	ne.	30.03	29.94	0.01			
29.....	29.98	76	70	82	ne.	30.04	29.95	0.00			
30.....	29.93	74	70.5	82	ne.	30.05	29.95	0.00			
31.....	30.00	71	69.7	83	ne.	30.03	29.94	0.00			
Sums.								4.14			
Means.	29.941	73.2	88.7	81.9	70.5	67.8	76.0				
Departure.	-0.016	.....	.....	+1.7	+8.5	.....	+4			+1.08	

\*This pressure is as recorded at 1 p. m., Greenwich time. †These temperatures are observed at 6 a. m., local, or 4:31 p. m., Greenwich time. ‡These values are the means of (6+9+2+9)+4. §Beaufort scale.

Mean temperature for October, 1901 (6+2+9)+8=75.8°; normal is 76.8°. Mean pressure for October (9+8)+2=29.950; normal is 29.966.

## MEXICAN CLIMATOLOGICAL DATA.

Through the kind cooperation of Señor Manuel E. Pastrana, Director of the Central Meteorologic-Magnetic Observatory, the monthly summaries of Mexican data are now communicated in manuscript, in advance of their publication in the Boletín Mensual. An abstract, translated into English measures, is here given, in continuation of the similar tables published in the MONTHLY WEATHER REVIEW since 1896. The barometric means are now reduced to standard gravity.

## Mexican data for October, 1901.

Stations.	Altitude.	Mean baro-meter.	Temperature.			Relative humidity.	Precipita-tion.	Prevailing direction.	
			Max.	Min.	Mean.			Wind.	Cloud.
Chihuahua	4,680	26.28	84.2	55.4	65.8	65	2.29	e.	
Guadalajara (Obs del Est.)	5,186	24.94	78.3	55.4	68.4	70	4.60	nw.	
Guanajuato	6,640	28.69	83.3	43.7	64.4	53	0.28	ene.	
Leon (Guanajuato)	5,906	24.29	78.8	41.4	63.3	71	0.94	ne.	
Linares	1,188	28.44	88.7	53.6	73.9	76	3.39	s.	
Mazatlan	25	29.44	89.4	72.9	81.7	78	2.12	nw.	
Merida	50	29.87	95.0	62.1	78.3	81	1.28	ne.	
Mexico (Obs. Cent.)	7,472	23.05	74.5	42.8	68.8	66	1.14	n.	
Monterrey (Sem.)	1,626	28.34	101.1	48.2	71.4	74	3.28	ene.	
Morelia (Seminario)	6,401	23.87	75.9	47.5	61.7	73	1.59	ne.	
Puebla (Col. Cat.)	7,125	23.37	76.6	47.1	62.4	66	0.36	ene.	
Puebla (Col. d. Est.)	7,118	23.34	77.0	43.0	62.1	65	0.38	ene.	
Queretaro	6,070	24.20	78.3	47.3	63.8	61	0.15	e.	
S. Isidro (Hac. de Gto.)	.....	.....	73.8	61.7	67.0	68	1.38	.....	
Toluca	8,612	21.95	70.9	34.9	54.9	68	1.13	w.	
Zapotlan	5,078	25.06	80.6	58.2	67.8	68	4.24	n.	

\* Reduced to standard temperature and gravity.

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#### THE MEASUREMENT OF SUNSHINE AND THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION OF ANGSTRÖM'S PYRHELIOMETER.

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While the writer was in attendance last August at the convention of Weather Bureau officials held in Milwaukee he was plied with numerous questions pertaining to the instrumental work of the Weather Bureau, many of which related to the measurement and registration of sunshine, especially in varying degrees of intensity. The sunshine recorders<sup>1</sup> at present in use at Weather Bureau stations are recognized as at best but imperfect, and the records only approximate and incomplete.

The urgent need of decidedly improved apparatus for this purpose is keenly appreciated by many of our officials whose close daily relation with agricultural interests emphasizes the incomplete character of the data at present available. The subject is one, however, which is but imperfectly understood by the majority of those who discussed the question with me, and it seems appropriate, therefore, at this opportunity to preface the present account of the comparison of pyrheliometers with a few brief statements of the general principles underlying measurements of solar radiation.

The present state of our knowledge of this intricate and deeply involved problem has just been summarized by Mr. Frank W. Very<sup>2</sup> in an excellent article which is recommended to everyone studying this question. This writer, however, as necessity compells in so condensed a summary, presupposes a reasonable acquaintance with the subject on the part of his readers, whereas, it is desired in what follows, to set forth briefly such elementary facts and principles as will help the

<sup>1</sup> Annual Report of the Chief of the Weather Bureau, 1891-92, p. 30; Annual Report of the Chief of the Weather Bureau, 1893, p. 18.

<sup>2</sup> The Solar Constant. MONTHLY WEATHER REVIEW, August, 1901, p. 357.